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Your memos to OMB on H. R. 12206.

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

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Mr. Wilfred H. Rommel
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D. C. 20503

Dear Mr. Rommel:

Enclosed is a copy of our report to Chairman Moorhead on H.R. 12206, H.R. 13303, and H.R. 13872, which amend the Freedom of Information Act to provide that persons be given access to records concerning them.

The short deadline did not permit clearance of our report with your office. This is noted in our report. A copy is also being furnished to Mr. Walter W. Haase, Deputy Associate Director for Information Systems, as part of our comments on a draft alternative bill to H.R. 12206.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

George L. Cary
Legislative Counsel

Enclosure

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

29 APR 1974

Mr. Walter W. Haase, Deputy Associate
Director for Information Systems
Attention: ISD
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D. C. 20503

Dear Mr. Haase:

This is in reply to your memorandum dated April 24, 1974, requesting our comments on a proposed alternate bill to H.R. 12206. Enclosed is a copy of our comments on H. R. 12206 as submitted to Chairman Moorhead.

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In general discussions on the bill between [REDACTED] of my staff and Mr. Reeder of your office, it was agreed that the Agency would have serious problems if the bill became law. After careful review, our final position was to propose amendments to exempt information protected by statute and to exempt the Central Intelligence Agency. The first exemption would include the Director's statutory responsibility to protect intelligence sources and methods, as well as Restricted Data and Communications Intelligence which are also protected by statute. Our enclosed report sets forth the rationale of our position.

We would request that your draft bill, if presented to the Committee, be amended to include our proposed changes. This includes adding another category exempting records maintained by the Agency and extending the first exemption category to include information requiring protection by statute. In regard to the latter change, we would urge that the statutory protection be distinct from a criteria of national defense and foreign policy since statutes which protect information by category do not necessarily have to meet this criteria.

We appreciate the opportunity given us to present our comments on this legislation.

Sincerely,

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